(b) The National Rural Employment Guarantee Act guidelines provide to set up local Vigilance and Monitoring Committees and Members of Committee are to be trained. State Government has been requested to initiate 100% muster roll verification exercise. Guidelines regarding muster roll verification have been provided to the State Governments and Programme Co-ordinators. Similarly the SGRY guidelines stipulate for maintenance of muster roll for each work separately in stictched form with numbered and to be made available to the public on demand. For each work taken up up by the Village Panchayat, copies of muster rolls duly certified by Panchayat Secretary are required to be placed before the Gram Sabha.

(c) and (d) State Governments reports on muster roll verification are received continuously by the Ministry. Some States like Rajasthan, Andhra Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Orissa and Uttar Pradesh and Civil Societies organization have started social audit process.

Convergence of service delivery system with MEGS

853. SHRIMATI S.G. INDIRA: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the second Adminstrative Reforms Commission has suggested that various service delivery systems converge with the National Employment Guarantee Scheme to improve life in rural households;

(b) if so, the reaction of Government in this regard;

(c) whether it is a fact that the guaranteed employment for 100 days to households is not sufficient; and

(d) if so, whether Government are considering to enhance the number of days?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The recommendations of the Commission are under consideration of the Government.

(c) and (d) No, Sir. The NREG Act, 2005 provides a legal guarantee of 100 days of employment to every rural household in a financial year on

demand after following the prescribed procedure. In addition, the workers may take up any other work and also employment under other programmes of the State Government. 100 days guarantee under NREGA is expected to supplement the other sources of employment available to the workforce.

Proposals pending under SGSY from M.P.

†854. SHRI LAXMINARAYAN SHARMA: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state what is the number of proposals of Madhya Pradesh pending under SGSY Special Project and by when these are likely to be cleared?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL): (a) As on date, 63 proposals for Special Projects were received by Government from the Government of Madhya Pradesh under Swarnjayanti Gram Swarojgar Yojana (SGSY). Out of 63 proposals, 22 proposals were approved and 25 proposals were returned to State Government as they were not found in accordance with the SGSY Special Projects Guidelines. The remaining 16 proposals are under different stages of considerations. On receipt of the proposals from the State Government, it is appraised in the Ministry and is placed before two Inter-Ministerial Committees for approval. These Committees are Projects Screening Committee (PSC) and Project Apprival Committee (PAC). If the Committees make certain observations to improve and make effective the proposals, the same are sent to State Government for compliance. As such, appraisal, rectification and approval of the projects is a continuous process.

Direction regarding group of ten under SGSY

†855. SHRI LAXMINARAYAN SHARMA: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a direction to form a group of ten member in SGSY which give rise to disputes as the programmes cannot be organized in such a big group; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.